



## Yldefonso De Rueda

July 4, 1930 - August 5, 2016

DeRueda, Yldefonso (Poncho)

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Poncho DeRueda of Santa Barbara, California passed away peacefully on Friday, August 5, 2016 after many of his family and friends were able to say one final goodbye. He was the son of Guadalupe and Josefina DeRueda, born on July 4, 1930 in Santa Barbara. He lived the last 59 years in the same house on the west side of town.

Poncho is preceded in death by his loving wife, Guadalupe, they were married for 52 years. Together they enjoyed watching their six children and eleven grandchildren play various sports, dance, and perform in theatre arts. Poncho was an avid Dodger fan and could always be found at home watching his favorite team play on television. In the past, he was involved with the Bishop Diego High School Dad's Club, the Guadalupe Church and Notre Dame School Festivals, and the Elks Club. Poncho worked for 42 years as a supervisor at BFI Waste Systems and its preceding companies – Sanitation Services and South Coast Sanitation. He was always appreciative of the honor to lead hard-working men and women from 1950-1992 to help keep the City of Santa Barbara clean.

Poncho was also predeceased, at an early age, by a brother - Sylvano and sister – Josefina.

Poncho is survived by his children: Edward (Denise) DeRueda of Castaic,

CA., Mary (Stanley) Pottkotter of Carpinteria, CA., Louis (Cindie) DeRueda of Camarillo CA., Arthur DeRueda of Santa Barbara, Helen (Robert) Mortensen of Altadena, CA., and Patrick (Katerina) DeRueda of Paradise Valley, AZ.; his grandchildren: Matthew and James DeRueda, Jenny and Alan Pottkotter, Bradley (Tara), Bryan, Kelsey (DJ), and Kendall DeRueda, Debra and Tim Mortensen, and Nathaniel DeRueda; his step-grandchildren: Kim (Shawn), Matthew, and Lauren; and his step great grandchildren; Sadie, Kaydam, and Hudson.

We are proud of our father who often-times worked several jobs to provide for his family and ensured his children received a quality education at parochial schools. We are grateful to those who were loyal to him after the passing of our mother – especially Jose Hernandez and Altagracia Ybarra – and those that worked alongside him throughout the years.

A rosary will be held on Tuesday evening August 16th at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church at 7:00 PM. A mass to celebrate his beautiful life will be conducted on Wednesday morning August 17th at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church at 10:00 AM at 21 E. Sola Street.

Please make donations in his memory to Our Lady of Sorrows Church at 21 E. Sola Street Santa Barbara, CA 93101. To leave an online memory or condolence please visit [www.wrhsb.com](http://www.wrhsb.com). Arrangements entrusted to Welch-Ryce-Haider Funeral Chapels.

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

199 North Hope Ave  
Santa Barbara, CA 93110  
(805) 687-8811  
[http://www.archdiocese.la/directories/cemeteries/info.php?cemetery\\_id=3](http://www.archdiocese.la/directories/cemeteries/info.php?cemetery_id=3)

# Previous Events

## Rosary

AUG 16. 7:00 PM (PT)

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church  
21 E Sola Street  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

## Funeral Mass

AUG 17. 10:00 AM (PT)

Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church  
21 E Sola Street  
Santa Barbara, CA 93101

# Tribute Wall

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“ Remembering all good times we had when kids were at Bishop...

Mary Moreno - August 17, 2016 at 01:52 PM

SG

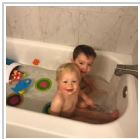
“ My Deepest sympathy goes out to the De Rueda Family. Your Father is an amazing man, very kind and always seemed to be in a good mood. A true friend of my Relatives, Along with your Mother. Wonderful People Always. The Reason I say He is an amazing man, because his Spirit , and Memory will live on, and we will all see him again one day. Sincerely, Steve Garcia Buellton, Ca

Steve Garcia - August 17, 2016 at 04:16 AM

DK

“ We are left with memories of a hard working, and strong role model. So glad Dave and I had a chance to visit with him, share his smile and some stories. You can all rest now, he is with your Mom, they are together once again, in the warm arms of our Lord. We send love, prayers and a wish for a celebration of his life in the coming days. Thank you for your support, you have ours during this difficult time. Wish we could be there...  
Love to all,  
Dave and Mima

Dave and Mima Kubiske - August 16, 2016 at 10:26 PM



“ We are so very sorry for your loss. Your dad was an amazing man and such a hard worker. He will certainly be missed but never forgotten. He will always hold that special place in your hearts. Love , Chris and Dina Fink and Family

Dina Fink - August 16, 2016 at 03:56 PM